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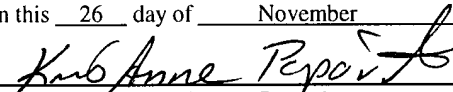
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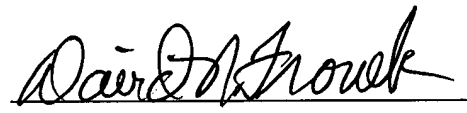
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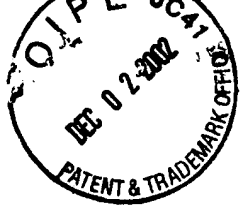
1. Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(b) & (c)(1) (2 pages);
2. Form PTO/SB/08A (1 page, submitted in duplicate);
3. Copy of One (1) Reference Cited;
4. Copy of International Preliminary Examination Report (4 pages); and
5. Return Receipt Postcard.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b), the reference listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A (1 sheet, submitted in duplicate) is brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. A copy of the identified reference is enclosed as necessary. The identified reference was cited by the International Preliminary Examination Report ("IPER") in a corresponding PCT application. A copy of the IPER is also enclosed. Reference U.S. Patent 5,099,161 identified on the IPER was cited to the Office in earlier communications and is thus not cited herewith.

This IDS is being filed before the mailing of a first office action on the merits. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

**Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1)**

Each item of information contained in this IDS was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. A copy of the foreign search report is enclosed.

Pursuant to the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, Chapter 609, Applicant requests that the Examiner consider each of the listed documents and initial and return to the undersigned a copy of the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A (submitted in duplicate).

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